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- 1. GOI OFFICIALS INDICATE THAT THERE ARE NO EXISTING BILATERAL AGREEMENTS REGARDING IRISH STEEL TRADE. ANGLO-IRISH AGREEMENT LAPSED AS OF JULY 1 AND STEEL TRADE IS NOW GOVERNED EXCLUSIVELY BY EUROPEAN COAL AND STEEL AUTHORITY REGIME.
- 2. ATTITUDE OF GOI AND PRIVATE SECTOR TOWARDS DAVIGNON PLAN APPEARS TO BE ONE OF CAUTIOUS ACCEPTANCE. THERE SEEMS TO BE ACTIVE INTEREST IN PROSPECT OF EC-WIDE RESTRUCTURING, AND HOPE THAT TROUBLED LOCAL INDUSTRY MIGHT BENEFIT FROM SUCH AN EFFORT. A MAJOR CONCERN OF LOCAL STEEL PRODUCERS IS FOREIGN COMPETITION, PARTICULARLY AS LAST TARIFF BARRIERS VS. STEEL IMPORTS FROM EC PARTNERS WILL BE REMOVED NEXT YEAR, AND PRICING ASPECTS OF DAVIGNON PLAN HAVE THIS GROUP'S SUPPORT. END-USERS ARE NATURALLY NOT AS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT RESULTANT HIGHER PRICES. PRODUCERS AND EXPORTERS OF FINISHED PRODUCTS, ALTHOUGH ON THE WHOLE SUPPORTING PLAN, HAVE RESERVATIONS DUE TO POSSIBLE EROSION OF THEIR COMPETITIVENESS IN THIRD COUNTRY MARKETS AS A RESULT OF UNCLASSIFIED

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